

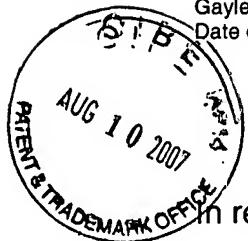
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of: Pourdeyhimi**

Group Art Unit: 2128

Serial No.: 10/612,790

Examiner: Thornewell, Kimberly A.

Filed: July 2, 2003

Docket No.: 297/180

Confirmation No.: 5458

For: OPTICAL METHOD FOR EVALUATING SURFACE AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF STRUCTURES MADE WHOLLY OR PARTIALLY FROM FIBERS, FILMS, POLYMERS OR A COMBINATION THEREOF

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## AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated April 9, 2007, for which a shortened statutory period for reply has been extended up to and including August 9, 2007. A petition for a 1-month Extension of Time is attached hereto. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.